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POSITION TITLE:	Livestock Policy Officer	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Livestock Information, Sector Analysis and Policy Branch, AGAL	DUTY STATION:	Rome, Italy
	Animal Production and Health Division, AGA	DURATION *:	Fixed-term: 2 years
	Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department, AG	POST NUMBER:	2000554
		CCOG CODE:	1H01

\* The length of appointment for internal FAO candidates will be established in accordance with applicable policies pertaining to the extension of appointments

**Qualified female applicants and qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged to apply.  
Persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply.  
All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.**

**The incumbent may be re-assigned to different activities and/or duty stations depending on the evolving needs of the Organization.**

### Organizational Setting

The Animal Production and Health Division (AGA) assists member countries in the sustainable development of the livestock sector and in optimizing its contribution to nutrition, food security and rural poverty reduction, integrating scientific and technical expertise and policy advice. It provides a coordination role and hosts technical networks in the areas of, animal health, genetics, animal husbandry, feed, support to emergency preparedness and response. The Division facilitates policy dialogue (incl. intergovernmental bodies), manages knowledge and provides information, analysis and technical assistance for the development and implementation of innovative solutions to produce safe animal products more efficiently and more responsibly.

The post is located in the Livestock Information, Sector Analysis and Policy Branch (AGAL). AGAL provides livestock sector analysis with a particular focus on poverty reduction, climate change and resource use, and on animal health issues, also in relation to environmental and human health. It provides policy support and guidance to countries and stakeholders in the livestock sector, and facilitates policy dialogue among stakeholders.

### Reporting Lines

The Livestock Policy Officer reports to the Chief, AGAL

### Key Results

Comprehensive technical and policy expertise to support the planning, development and implementation of Departmental/Division programmes, projects, products and services in accordance with Departmental/Division objectives and FAO Strategic Objectives

### Key Functions

- Plans and leads components of multi-disciplinary teams, leads and/or participates on Organization-wide, cross-Departmental committees, project teams, and working groups and/or provides specialized expertise on technical networks and/or international technical policy and/or international technical policy and standard setting bodies.
- Develops technical, analytical, monitoring and reporting frameworks, and related methodologies, tools, systems and databases etc. to support the planning, implementation/delivery and monitoring of programmes of work, projects, products and/or services.
- Designs and conducts research, data collection, validation, analysis and/or reporting activities to support the development of technical standards, international instruments, innovative approaches and strategies, new tools, technologies, technical reports/publications, and/or policy proposals as well as the provision of technical/policy/ specialist/advice and expertise.
- Responds to country requests for technical and policy assistance, provides technical advice, assistance and solutions to Decentralized Offices and provides technical backstopping to field projects.
- Collaborates in, provides technical backstopping to and ensures the quality / effectiveness of capacity development and knowledge sharing activities within member countries such as policy support, organizational development and individual learning events including preparation of related information, learning materials, on-line tools.
- Promotes international cooperation/advocates best practices, increased policy dialogue and provides technical expertise at international/intergovernmental meetings.
- Participates in resource mobilization activities in accordance with the FAO Corporate strategy.

### Specific Functions

- Lead/contribute to livestock policy analyses for evidence-based decision making, including livestock systems or sector analyses, involving managing, processing and analysing spatial information and related database development relating to livestock production systems and relevant or emerging thematic areas such as natural resources, climate change, poverty, nutrition, health and economics
- Establishes partnerships with key organizations in the area of livestock system analysis and information, such as the International Livestock Research Institute, the International Food Policy Research Institute and the World Bank and others;

- Advises countries and FAO colleagues in decentralised offices on data collection and analysis for sustainable livestock development;
  - Prepares and disseminates data and analyses on the livestock sector and advises the Division on data management.
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## CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

### Minimum Requirements

Advanced university degree in animal science, veterinary or agricultural sciences with specialization in livestock policy, livestock production systems, or livestock ecosystems/agroecology/environmental management  
Seven years of relevant experience in livestock policy, livestock production systems or livestock ecosystems / agroecology / environmental management  
Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, Russian

### Competencies

Results Focus  
Teamwork  
Communication  
Building Effective Relationships  
Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement

### Technical/Functional Skills

Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable  
Extent and relevance of experience in analysing agriculture and livestock production systems and related issues  
Extent and relevance of experience in spatial information systems and spatial analysis  
Ability to mobilize resources

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Please note that all candidates should adhere to *FAO Values of Commitment to FAO, Respect for All and Integrity and Transparency*.

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All candidates should possess computer/word processing skills.
- Evaluation of qualified candidates may include an assessment exercise which will be followed by a competency-based interview.
- Your application will be screened based on the information provided in your iRecruitment online profile (see “*How to Apply*”). We strongly recommend that you ensure that the information is accurate and complete including employment record, academic qualifications and language skills.
- Please note that FAO will only consider academic credentials or degrees obtained from an educational institution recognised in the IAU/UNESCO list.
- Other similar positions at the same level may be filled from this vacancy notice and the endorsed candidates will be considered for the Employment Roster for a period of 2 years.
- Candidates may be requested to provide performance assessments.

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## HOW TO APPLY

To apply, visit the iRecruitment website at <http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en/> and complete your online profile. Only applications received through iRecruitment will be considered.

Candidates are requested to attach a letter of motivation to the online profile.

Vacancies will be removed from iRecruitment at 23:59 Central European Time (CET) on the deadline for applications date. We encourage applicants to submit the application well before the deadline date.

If you need help, or have queries, please contact: [iRecruitment@fao.org](mailto:iRecruitment@fao.org)

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